SA 498. Mr. THOMAS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 499. Mr. BURR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 500. Mr. BUNNING (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 501. Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 502. Mr. GRASSLEY proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra.

SA 503. Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 504. Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. CASEY) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra.

SA 505. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 506. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 507. Mr. KYL (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra.

SA 508. Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 509. Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 510. Mr. SMITH (for himself and Ms. SNOWE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S . Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 511. Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. COBURN) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra.

SA 512. Mr. DEMINT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 513. Mr. DEMINT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 514. Mr. ROBERTS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 515. Mr. THOMAS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 516. Mr. DODD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 517. Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. ENZI, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra.

SA 518. Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SUNUNU, and Mr. COLEMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 519. Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 520. Mr. CASEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 521. Mr. ALLARD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 522. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 523. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

SA 524. Mr. OBAMA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, supra; which was ordered to lie on the table.

TEXT OF AMENDMENTS

SA 481. Mr. SUNUNU submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $32,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $45,900,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $32,300,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $45,900,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $759,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $2,632,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $759,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $2,632,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $33,059,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $48,532,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $33,059,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $81,591,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $33,059,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $81,591,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $759,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $759,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $2,632,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $2,632,000,000.

SA 482. Mr. DODD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III, add the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR NATIONAL GUARD FORCE READINESS.

(a) FINDINGS.—Congress makes the following findings:

(1) In his testimony before the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, the Chief of the National Guard Bureau, Lieutenant General Blum, warned about equipment shortfalls for the Army National Guard and Air National Guard stating that "88 percent of the forces that are back here in the United States are very poorly equipped today in the Army National Guard. And in the Air National Guard for the last three decades, they have never had a unit below C2 in equipment readiness".

(2) In the March 1, 2007, report of the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, the Commission observes that—

(A) while the operational tempo of the reserve components of the Armed Forces has increased substantially, resourcing has not kept pace;

(B) the lack of sufficient and ready equipment is a problem common to both the active and reserve components of the Armed Forces;

(C) the equipment readiness of the Army National Guard is unacceptable and has reduced the capability of the United States to respond to current and additional major contingencies, whether foreign and domestic; and

(D) while the budget of the President for fiscal year 2008 includes large increases in funds for equipment for the National Guard, historical practice in the Department of Defense indicates that Army plans for projected funding increases for equipment for the Army National Guard are not reliably carried through.

(3) According to the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, procurement for the Army National Guard during the period from 1999 through 2005 has been reduced significantly from amounts proposed for such procurement before that period. The budget for fiscal year 2001 indicated that the Army planned to expend $1,346,000,000 in fiscal year 2004 for procurement for the Army National Guard, but the budget for fiscal year 2006 revealed that the Army expended only $578,400,000 for procurement for the Army National Guard in fiscal year 2004. Similarly, the budget for fiscal year 2001 indicated that the Army planned to expend $1,625,000,000 in fiscal year 2005 for procurement for the Army National Guard, but the budget for fiscal year 2006 revealed that the Army planned to expend only $660,900,000 for procurement for the Army National Guard in fiscal year 2005.

(4) According to the Commission on the National Guard and Reserves, the difference between the amounts proposed for procurement for the Army National Guard for fiscal years 2003 through 2005 and the amounts actually expended for such procurement in such fiscal years was atypical and extreme.

(5) According to a January 2007 report of the Government Accountability Office, inventories of equipment for the National Guard in the United States have decreased because of overseas operations, particularly inventories of the Army National Guard. The Comptroller General found that State officials expressed concerns about having enough equipment to respond to large scale natural or man made disasters such as Hurricane Katrina.

(6) The Comptroller General found that before current overseas operations began, the majority of the combat forces of the Army

National Guard were supplied with approximately 65 to 79 percent of their required equipment. As of November 2006, non-deployed Army National Guard forces nationwide still had approximately 64 percent of the total amount of authorized dual-use equipment, including authorized substitute items, based on their warfighting missions even as overseas and domestic missions have expanded.

(b) RESERVE FUND.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that provides for National Guard Force Readiness, by the amounts provided by that legislation for that purpose, but not to exceed $8,760,000,000 in new budget authority for fiscal year 2008 and the outlays flowing from that budget authority and $7,235,000,000 in new budget authority for each of the fiscal years 2009 through 2012 and the outlays flowing from that budget authority, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over the total of the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 483. Mr. BUNNING (for himself and Mr. ENZI) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

At the end of title II, add the following:

SEC. ___. CIRCUIT BREAKER TO PROTECT SOCIAL SECURITY.

(a) CIRCUIT BREAKER.—If in any year the Congressional Budget Office, in its report pursuant to section 202(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 projects an on-budget deficit (excluding Social Security) for the budget year or any subsequent fiscal year covered by those projections, then the concurrent resolution on the budget for the budget year shall reduce on-budget deficits relative to the projections of Congressional Budget Office and put the budget on a path to achieve on-budget balance within 5 years, and shall include such provisions as are necessary to protect Social Security and facilitate deficit reduction, except it shall not contain any reduction in Social Security benefits.

(b) POINT OF ORDER.—If in any year the Congressional Budget Office, in its report pursuant to section 202(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 projects an on-budget deficit for the budget year or any subsequent fiscal year covered by those projections, it shall not be in order in the Senate to consider a concurrent resolution on the budget for the budget year or any conference report thereon that fails to reduce on-budget deficits relative to the projections of Congressional Budget Office and put the budget on a path to achieve on-budget balance within 5 years.

(c) AMENDMENTS TO BUDGET RESOLUTION.—If in any year the Congressional Budget Office, in its report pursuant to section 202(e)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 projects an on-budget deficit for the budget year or any subsequent fiscal year covered by those projections, it shall not be in order in the Senate to consider an amendment to a concurrent resolution on the budget that would increase on-budget deficits relative to the concurrent resolution on the budget in any fiscal year covered by that concurrent resolution on the budget or cause the budget to fail to achieve on-budget balance within 5 years.

(d) SUSPENSION OF REQUIREMENT DURING WAR OR LOW ECONOMIC GROWTH.—

(1) LOW GROWTH.—If the most recent of the Department of Commerce's advance, preliminary, or final reports of actual real economic growth indicate that the rate of real economic growth (as measured by real GDP) for each of the most recently reported quarter and the immediately preceding quarter is less than 1 percent, this section is suspended.

(2) WAR.—If a declaration of war is in effect, this section is suspended.

(e) SUPERMAJORITY WAIVER AND APPEALS.—

(1) WAIVER.—Subsections (b) and (c) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn.

(2) APPEALS.—Appeals in the Senate from the decisions of the Chair relating to any provision of this subsection shall be limited to 1 hour, to be equally divided between, and controlled by, the appellant and the manager of the bill or joint resolution, as the case may be. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under this subsection.

(f) BUDGET YEAR.—In this section, the term ''budget year'' shall have the same meaning as in section 250(c)(12) of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985.

SA 484. Mr. THUNE submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the talbe; as follows:

On page 23, line 12, increase the amount by $99,000,000.

On page 23, line 13, increase the amount by $99,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $99,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $99,000,000.

SA 485. Mr. BUNNING submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 10, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $5,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 3, line 19, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $5,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 4, line 5, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $5,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 4, line 14, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $5,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 26, line 8, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 26, line 9, decrease the amount by $0.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $5,600,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $5,600,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $14,300,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $15,600,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $17,500,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $19,800,000,000.

SA 486. Mr. BINGAMAN (for himself, Mr. ALEXANDER, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. ENSIGN, Mr. REID, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. SMITH) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 10, line 9, increase the amount by $1,008,000,000.

On page 10, line 10, increase the amount by $428,000,000.

On page 10, line 14, increase the amount by $345,000,000.

On page 10, line 18, increase the amount by $179,000,000.

On page 10, line 22, increase the amount by $35,000,000.

On page 11, line 1, increase the amount by $18,000,000.

On page 14, line 9, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 14, line 10, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 14, line 14, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $1,019,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $437,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $348,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $179,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $35,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $18,000,000.

SA 487. Mr. NELSON of Florida submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 50, line 3, insert after ''disabled military personnel'' the following: ''or veterans (including the elimination of the offset between Survivor Benefit Plan annuities and veterans' dependency and indemnity compensation)''.

SA 488. Mrs. BOXER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ___. SENSE OF SENATE ON REDEPLOYMENT OF UNITED STATES MILITARY FORCES FROM IRAQ.

(a) FINDINGS.—The Senate makes the following findings:

(1) The bipartisan Iraq Study Group recommended that all United States combat brigades not necessary for force protection could be out of Iraq by the first quarter of 2008 and that ''the U.S. should not make an open-ended commitment to keep large numbers of American troops deployed in Iraq''.

(2) On November 15, 2005, the Senate voted 79–19 in support of an amendment stating that ''calendar year 2006 should be a period of significant transition to full Iraqi sovereignty, with Iraqi security forces taking the lead for the security of a free and sovereign Iraq, thereby creating the conditions for the phased redeployment of United States forces from Iraq''.

(b) SENSE OF SENATE.—It is the sense of the Senate that funding in this resolution for fiscal year 2008 shall be used to commence the redeployment of United States military forces from Iraq.

SA 489. Mr. DEMINT proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

At the end of title III, insert the following:

SEC. ___. RESERVE FUND FOR SOCIAL SECURITY REFORM.

If the Senate Committee on Finance reports a bill or joint resolution, or an amendment is offered thereto, or a conference report is submitted thereon, that provides changes to the Federal Old Age, Survivors, and Disability Insurance Benefits Program established under title II of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 401 et seq.) by—

(1) requiring that the Federal Old Age and Survivors Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund are to be used only to finance expenditures to provide retirement income of future beneficiaries of such program;

(2) ensuring that there is no change to current law scheduled benefits for individuals born before January 1, 1951;

(3) providing participants with the benefits of savings and investment while permitting the pre-funding of at least some portion of future benefits; and

(4) ensuring that the funds made available to finance such legislation do not exceed the amounts of the Chief Actuary of the Social Security Administration's intermediate actuarial estimates of the Federal Old Age and Survivors Trust Fund and the Federal Disability Insurance Trust Fund, as published in the most recent report of the Board of Trustees of such Trust Funds;

the chairman of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate may make the appropriate adjustments in allocations and aggregates to the extent that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2008 and for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 490. Mr. REID (for himself and Mr. SANDERS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III, add the following:

SEC. ___. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR ELIMINATING MILITARY RETIREMENT AND DISABILITY OFFSET.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that would extend eligibility for concurrent receipt of military retirement pay and veterans' disability compensation or would expand eligibility for Combat-Related Special Compensation to permit additional disabled retirees to receive both disability compensation and retired pay, by the amounts provided by such legislation for that purpose, provided that the legislation would not increase the deficit over the total of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.

SA 491. Mr. ALLARD proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $4,270,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $4,427,500,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $4,675,500,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $4,972,500,000.

On page 4, line 10, decrease the amount by $5,284,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $870,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $2,752,500,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $4,580,500,000.

On page 4, line 18, decrease the amount by $4,877,500,000.

On page 4, line 19, decrease the amount by $5,189,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, decrease the amount by $870,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, decrease the amount by $2,752,500,000.

On page 5, line 1, decrease the amount by $4,580,500,000.

On page 5, line 2, decrease the amount by $4,877,500,000.

On page 5, line 3, decrease the amount by $5,189,000,000.

On page 5, line 7, decrease the amount by $870,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, decrease the amount by $3,622,500,000.

On page 5, line 9, decrease the amount by $8,203,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, decrease the amount by $13,081,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, decrease the amount by $18,269,500,000.

On page 5, line 15, decrease the amount by $870,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, decrease the amount by $3,662,500,000.

On page 5, line 17, decrease the amount by $8,203,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, decrease the amount by $13,081,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, decrease the amount by $18,269,500,000.

On page 25, line 12, decrease the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 25, line 13, decrease the amount by $20,000,000.

On page 25, line 16, decrease the amount by $102,500,000.

On page 25, line 17, decrease the amount by $102,500,000.

On page 25, line 20, decrease the amount by $270,500,000.

On page 25, line 21, decrease the amount by $270,500,000.

On page 25, line 24, decrease the amount by $487,500,000.

On page 25, line 25, decrease the amount by $487,500,000.

On page 26, line 3, decrease the amount by $719,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, decrease the amount by $719,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $4,250,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $850,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, decrease the amount by $4,325,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $2,650,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, decrease the amount by $4,405,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $4,310,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, decrease the amount by $4,485,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $4,439,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, decrease the amount by $4,565,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $4,470,000,000.

On page 41, line 9, decrease the amount by $4,250,000,000.

On page 41, line 10, decrease the amount by $850,000,000.

SA 492. Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. PRYOR, Mr. BAYH, Mr. NELSON of Florida, and Mr. SALAZAR) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by 200,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by 52,700,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by 126,916,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by 200,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by 52,700,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, further decrease the amount by 126,916,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by 5,200,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by 57,700,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by 131,916,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by 5,200,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by 62,900,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by 194,816,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by 5,200,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by 62,900,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by 194,816,000,000.

On page 18, line 20, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 18, line 24, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 18, line 25, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 19, line 3, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 19, line 4, increase the amount by 5,000,000,000.

On page 49, line 6, decrease the amount by 15,000,000,000.

SA 493. Mr. GRASSLEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subsection (a) of section 308 and insert the following:

(a) PROHIBITING GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATION AS CALLED FOR BY THE MEDICARE MODERNIZATION ACT OF 2000, INTRODUCED BY SENATOR MOYNIHAN ON BEHALF OF THE CLINTON ADMINISTRATION.—If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that, as specified in S. 2342, the Medicare Modernization Act of 2000, introduced in the 106th Congress by Senator Moynihan on behalf of the Clinton Administration, prohibits the Secretary of Health and Human Services from authorizing a particular formulary or instituting a price structure for benefits under the Medicare prescription drug program under part D of title XVIII, or otherwise interfering with the competitive nature of providing a prescription drug benefit through benefit managers to Medicare beneficiaries; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2008, and for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 494. Mr. GRASSLEY (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, and Mr. SMITH) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III, insert the following:

SEC. ___. RESERVE FUND TO IMPROVE MEDICARE HOSPITAL PAYMENT ACCURACY.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) addresses the wide and inequitable disparity in the reimbursement of hospitals under the Medicare program;

(B) includes provisions to reform the area wage index, including the occupational mix adjustment, used to adjust payments to hospitals under the Medicare hospital inpatient prospective payment system under section 1886(d) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1395ww(d)); and

(C) includes a transition to the reform described in subparagraph (B); and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 495. Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mrs. LINCOLN, and Mr. COLEMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by her to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $6,200,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $31,000,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $6,200,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $31,000,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $146,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $1,027,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $146,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $1,027,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $6,346,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $32,027,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $6,346,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $38,372,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $6,346,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $38,372,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $146,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $146,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $1,027,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $1,027,000,000.

SA 496. Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

Strike subsection (a) of section 308 and insert the following:

(a) PROHIBITING GOVERNMENT NEGOTIATION UNDER MEDICARE PART D AS CALLED FOR IN H.R. 4770 FROM THE 106TH CONGRESS, AS INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVE GEPHARDT AND OTHERS.—If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that, as specified in H.R. 4770 from the 106th Congress, as introduced on June 27, 2000, by Representative Gephardt and cosponsored by Representatives Hoeffel, Bonior, Rangel, Dingell, Stark, Brown, Matsui, Coyne, Levin, Cardin, McDermott, Kleczka, Lewis, Neal, McNulty, Jefferson, Tanner, Becerra, Thurman, Doggett, Waxman, Markey, Boucher, Pallone, Stupak, Engel, Green, Allen, Baca, Bentsen, Berkley, Bishop, Capps, Blagojevich, Blumenauer, Brady, Brown Capuano, Clay, Clayton, Clement, Conyers, Costello, Cummings, Danner, Davis, DeGette, Delahunt, DeLauro, Dixon, Doyle, Edwards, Evans, Farr, Forbes, Frank, Frost, Gonzales, Gutierrez, Hilliard, Norton, Hoyer, Inslee, Jackson, Jackson-Lee, Johnson, Kennedy, Kildee, Kilpatrick, Kucinich, Lampson, Lantos, Lee, Lowey, McGovern, Maloney, Meehan, Menendez, Millender-McDonald, Moakley, Napolitano, Oberstar, Olver, Ortiz, Pascrell, Pastor, Pelosi, Phelps, Pomeroy, Reyes, Rodriguez, Roybal-Allard, Sanchez, Sandlin, Skelton, Slaughter, Snyder, Spratt, Stabenow, Jones, Turner, Udall, Underwood, Weygand, Wexler, Woolsey, Borski, Berry, Berman, Price, Visclosky, Baldacci, Gejdenson, Wynn, and Boswell, prohibits the Secretary of Health and Human Services from requiring a particular formulary, instituting a price structure for benefits, or in any way rationing benefits under part D of title XVIII of the Social Security Act, interfering in any way with negotiations between benefit administrators and medicine manufacturers, or wholesalers, or otherwise interfering with the competitive nature of providing a prescription medicine benefit using private benefit administrators, except as is required to guarantee coverage of the defined benefit; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2008, and for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 497. Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. THOMAS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title II, insert the following:

SEC. 2____. RESTRICTIONS ON PRIVATE SECTOR MANDATES.

(a) POINT OF ORDER.—It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any bill, joint resolution, motion, amendment, or conference report that would increase the direct costs of private sector mandates on small business concerns (as that term is defined in section 3 of the Small Business Act (15 U.S.C. 632)) by an amount that exceeds the threshold provided in section 424(b)(1) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 658c(b)(1)).

(b) WAIVER AND APPEAL.—Subsection (a) may be waived or suspended in the Senate only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under subsection (a).

SA 498. Mr. THOMAS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 48, beginning with line 17, strike all through page 62, line 7.

SA 499. Mr. BURR submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 18, line 12, increase the amount by $140,000,000.

On page 18, line 13, increase the amount by $84,000,000.

On page 18, line 17, increase the amount by $42,000,000.

On page 18, line 21, increase the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $140,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $84,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $42,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

SA 500. Mr. BUNNING (for himself, Mr. MCCONNELL, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING STATE FLEXIBILITY IN MEDICAID.

If the Committee on Finance reports a bill or joint resolution, if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that implements improvements to Medicare, Medicaid, or the State Children's Health Insurance Program, but that does not reduce the ability of States to provide coverage to Medicaid recipients through flexible benefit options that provide greater opportunities to provide health benefits coverage for Medicaid recipients then, provided that the Committee is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2008 and the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 501. Mr. KERRY (for himself and Mr. LIEBERMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 14, line 9, increase the amount by $180,000,000.

On page 14, line 10, increase the amount by $139,000,000.

On page 14, line 14, increase the amount by $29,000,000.

On page 14, line 18, increase the amount by $7,000,000.

On page 14, line 22, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $180,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $139,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $29,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $7,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

SA 502. Mr. GRASSLEY proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 41, line 9, decrease the amount by $17,000,000.

On page 41, line 10, decrease the amount by $15,000,000.

At the appropriate place insert the following:

SEC. ____. ADJUSTMENT FOR SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION SALARIES AND EXPENSES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and discretionary spending limits for one or more bills, joint resolutions, motions, amendments, or conference reports that make discretionary appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for an amount appropriated, but not to exceed $17,000,000 in budgetary authority and outlays flowing therefrom, once the Comptroller General of the United States has submitted a certification to Congress that since April 1, 2007—

(1) the Smithsonian Institution does not provide total annual compensation for any officer or employee of the Smithsonian Institution greater than the total annual compensation of the President of the United States;

(2) the Smithsonian Institution does not provide deferred compensation for any such officer or employee greater than the deferred compensation of the President of the United States;

(3) all Smithsonian Institution travel expenditures conform with Federal Government guidelines and limitations applicable to the Smithsonian Institution; and,

(4) all Smithsonian Institution officers and employees are subject to ethics rules similar to the ethics rules widely applicable to Federal Government employees.

(b) CRITERIA FOR CERTIFICATION.—In making the certification described in subsection (a), the Comptroller General of the United States should take into account the following:

(1) The Smithsonian Institution is a premier educational, historical, artistic, research, and cultural organization for the American people.

(2) The Inspector General for the Smithsonian Institution recently issued a report regarding an investigation of unauthorized and excessive authorized compensation, benefits, and expenditures by the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

(3) The Inspector General's findings indicate that the actions of the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution are not in keeping with the public trust of the office of the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution.

(4) Priority should be given to funding for necessary repairs to maintain and repair Smithsonian Institution buildings and infrastructure and protect America's treasures.

(5) Priority should be given to full funding for the Office of the Inspector General for the Smithsonian Institution so that the American people and Congress have renewed confidence that tax-preferred donations and Federal funds are being spent appropriately and in keeping with the best practices of the charitable sector.

SA 503. Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself and Mr. DURBIN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 17, line 12, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 17, line 13, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 17, line 16, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 17, line 17, increase the amount by $135,000,000.

On page 17, line 20, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 17, line 21, increase the amount by $189,000,000.

On page 17, line 24, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 17, line 25, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 18, line 3, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 18, line 4, increase the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $135,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $189,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $199,000,000.

SA 504. Mr. BAUCUS (for himself, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. KENNEDY, and Mr. CASEY) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 48, line 19, before ''The'' insert the following:

(a) PRIORITY.—The Senate establishes the following priorities and makes the following findings:

(1) The Senate shall make the enactment of legislation to reauthorize the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) its top health priority for the remainder of fiscal year 2007, during the first session of the 110th Congress.

(2) Extending health care coverage to the Nation's uninsured children is an urgent priority for the Senate.

(3) SCHIP has proven itself a successful program for covering previously uninsured children.

(4) More than 6 million children are enrolled in this landmark program, which has enjoyed broad bipartisan support in Congress, among our Nation's governors, and within state and local governments.

(5) SCHIP reduces the percentage of children with unmet health care needs.

(6) Since SCHIP was created, enormous progress has been made in reducing disparities in children's coverage rates.

(7) Uninsured children who gain coverage through SCHIP receive more preventive care and their parents report better access to providers and improved communications with their children's doctors.

(8) Congress has a responsibility to reauthorize SCHIP before the expiration of its current authorization.

(b) RESERVE FUND.—

SA 505. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 63, after line 24, insert the following:

SEC. 326. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FOR ASBESTOS REFORM LEGISLATION.

(a) IN GENERAL.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget shall revise the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report regarding asbestos reform, by the amounts provided in such legislation for that purpose, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over the total of the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.

(b) PAYGO EXCEPTION.—A point of order brought under section 201(a) or section 203(b) shall not apply, upon the execution of the requirements under subsection (a), to any bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report regarding asbestos reform.

SA 506. Mr. SPECTER submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 18, line 12, increase the amount by $2,200,000,000.

On page 18, line 13, increase the amount by $2,200,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $2,200,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $2,200,000,000.

SA 507. Mr. KYL (for himself and Mr. GRAHAM) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 3, line 11 increase the amount by $390,000,000.

On page 3 line 12, decrease the amount by $184,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $3,796,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $31,544,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $36,398,000,000.

On page 3, line 20 increase the amount by $390,000,000.

On page 3 line 21, decrease the amount by $184,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $3,796,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $31,544,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $36,398,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $78,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $912,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $2,552,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $78,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $912,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $2,552,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, decrease the amount by $399,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $170,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $3,874,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $32,456,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $38,950,000,000.

On page 5, line 7, decrease the amount by $399,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, decrease the amount by $230,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by $3,645,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $36,101,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $75,051,000,000

On page 5, line 15, decrease the amount by $399,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, decrease the amount by $230,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by $3,645,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $36,101,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $75,051,000,000

On page 25, line 12, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 25, line 13, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 25, line 16, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 25, line 17, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by $78,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by $78,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $912,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $912,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $2,552,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $2,552,000,000.

SA 508. Mr. HATCH submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. RESERVE FUND FOR PROTECTING COVERAGE CHOICES, ADDITIONAL BENEFITS, AND LOWER COST-SHARING FOR MEDICARE BENEFICIARIES.

If the Senate Committee on Finance—

(1) reports a bill, or if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(A) implements improvements to the Medicare or Medicaid programs under titles XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act, respectively, or the State Children's Health Insurance program under title XXI of such Act; and

(B) does not—

(i) lead to fewer coverage choices for Medicare beneficiaries, especially for those beneficiaries in rural areas; or

(ii) result in reduced benefits or increased cost-sharing for Medicare beneficiaries who choose a Medicare Advantage plan under part C of such title XVIII, especially for low-income beneficiaries who depend on their Medicare Advantage plan for protection from high out-of-pocket cost-sharing; and

(2) is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974,

the Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate measures to reflect such legislation provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2008, and for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 509. Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mrs. CLINTON) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the appropriate place, insert the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECT REGARDING MEDICAID COVERAGE OF LOW-INCOME HIV-INFECTED INDIVIDUALS.

The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and other appropriate levels in this resolution for a bill, joint resolution, amendment, motion, or conference report that provides for a demonstration project under which a State may apply under section 1115 of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1315) to provide medical assistance under a State Medicaid program to HIV-infected individuals who are not eligible for medical assistance under such program under section 1902(a)(10)(A)(i) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1396a(a)(10)(A)(i)), by the amounts provided in that legislation for those purposes up to $500,000,000, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit over the total of the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.

SA 510. Mr. SMITH (for himself and Ms. SNOWE) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of section 301, add the following: ‘‘Among the policy changes that could be considered to achieve offsets to the cost of reauthorizing the State Children's Health Insurance Program and expanding coverage for children is an increase in the tobacco products user fee rate but only to the extent that such rate increase does not result in an increase of more than 61 cents per pack of cigarettes, with all revenue generated by such increase dedicated to such reauthorization and expansion.’’.

SA 511. Mr. CORNYN (for himself, Mr. DEMINT, Mr. MARTINEZ, and Mr. COBURN) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

At the appropriate place insert the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR THE REAUTHORIZATION OF THE STATE CHILDREN'S HEALTH INSURANCE PROGRAM (SCHIP) THAT WILL COVER KIDS FIRST.

In the Senate, if the Committee on Finance reports a bill or joint resolution, if an amendment is offered thereto, or if a conference report is submitted thereon, that—

(1) reauthorizes and improves the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP);

(2) emphasizes providing health insurance to low-income children below 200 percent of the Federal poverty level;

(3) limits the use of SCHIP funds for coverage of non-pregnant adults unless States are covering their low-income children;

(4) allows parents to cover their children on their own health insurance plan with SCHIP funds;

(5) increases State flexibility so that States can use innovative strategies to cover kids; and

(6) improves and strengthens oversight of Medicaid and SCHIP to prevent waste, fraud and abuse,

then, provided that the Committee is within its allocation as provided under section 302(a) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget may revise allocations of new budget authority and outlays, the revenue aggregates, and other appropriate aggregates to reflect such legislation, to the extent that such legislation would not increase the deficit for fiscal year 2007 and for the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.

SA 512. Mr. DEMINT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $184,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $689,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $184,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $689,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $188,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $714,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $188,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $902,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $188,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $902,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $4,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $25,000,000.

SA 513. Mr. DEMINT submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of title III, insert the following:

SEC. ____. DEFICIT REDUCTION PROTECTION POINT OF ORDER.

(a) IN GENERAL.—It shall not be in order in the Senate to consider any appropriations bill that does not include the following provision:

‘‘SEC. ____. For deposit of an additional amount into the account established under section 3113(d) of title 31, United States Code, to reduce the public debt $________.’’.

(b) ENFORCEMENT.—For purposes of enforcing allocations pursuant to section 302(b) of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, any amendment that transfers budget authority (and the outlays flowing therefrom) into the debt reduction account provided by subsection (a) shall be scored so that the budget authority continues to count towards the section 302(b) allocation (with the outlays scored at the same level as scored in the original account).

(c) WAIVER AND APPEAL.—In the Senate, subsection (a) may be waived or suspended only by an affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members, duly chosen and sworn. An affirmative vote of three-fifths of the Members of the Senate, duly chosen and sworn, shall be required to sustain an appeal of the ruling of the Chair on a point of order raised under subsection (a).

SA 514. Mr. ROBERTS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $7,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $7,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $9,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $32,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $41,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by $11,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $32,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $41,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

SA 515. Mr. THOMAS submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 34, line 9, after the period insert "In a non-regular appropriations bill designated to supplement funding for ongoing combat operations, the authority to designate under this subsection shall only apply to war-related items that meet the criteria provided in subsection (f)."

SA 516. Mr. DODD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 47, after line 17, insert the following:

(H) ADJUSTMENTS FOR NATIONAL GUARD FORCE READINESS.—The Chairman of the Senate Committee on the Budget may revise the allocations, aggregates, and discretionary spending limits for 1 or more bills, joint resolutions, motions, amendments, or conference reports that make discretionary appropriations for fiscal years 2008 through 2012 in excess of the levels assumed in this resolution to address equipment reset requirements of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard or otherwise remedy other readiness shortfalls of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard, in order to begin to restore the equipment readiness of the Army National Guard and the Air National Guard, but not to exceed the following amounts:

(i) For fiscal year 2008, $8,760,000,000 in budget authority and the outlays flowing therefrom.

(ii) For fiscal year 2009, $7,235,000,000 in budget authority and the outlays flowing therefrom.

(iii) For fiscal year 2010, $7,235,000,000 in budget authority and the outlays flowing therefrom.

(iv) For fiscal year 2011, $7,235,000,000 in budget authority and the outlays flowing therefrom.

(v) For fiscal year 2012, $7,235,000,000 in budget authority and the outlays flowing therefrom.

SA 517. Mrs. HUTCHISON (for herself, Mr. CORNYN, Ms. CANTWELL, Mr. ENZI, and Ms. MURKOWSKI) proposed an amendment to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; as follows:

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $429,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $2,923,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $3,294,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $3,349,000,000

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $3,579,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $429,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $2,923,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $3,294,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $3,349,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $3,579,000,000.

On page 4, line 6, decrease the amount by $429,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, decrease the amount by $2,923,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, decrease the amount by $3,294,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, decrease the amount by $3,349,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, decrease the amount by $3,579,000,000.

On page 4, line 15, decrease the amount by $429,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, decrease the amount by $2,923,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, decrease the amount by $3,294,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, decrease the amount by $3,349,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, decrease the amount by $3,579,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $429,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $429,000,000.

On page 26, line 16, decrease the amount by $2,923,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $2,923,000,000.

On page 26, line 20, decrease the amount by $3,294,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $3,294,000,000.

On page 26, line 24, decrease the amount by $3,349,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $3,349,000,000.

On page 27, line 3, decrease the amount by $3,579,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $3,579,000,000.

SA 518. Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. DODD, Mr. LUGAR, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. SUNUNU, and Mr. COLEMAN) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 9, line 8, increase the amount by $2,200,000,000.

On page 9, line 9, increase the amount by $1,049,400,000.

On page 9, line 13, increase the amount by $567,600,000.

On page 9, line 17, increase the amount by $224,400,000.

On page 9, line 21, increase the amount by $149,600,000.

On page 9, line 25, increase the amount by $121,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $2,200,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $1,049,400,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $567,600,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $224,400,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $149,600,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $121,000,000.

SA 519. Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself and Ms. COLLINS) submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 16, line 10, increase the amount by $731,000,000.

On page 16, line 11, increase the amount by $156,000,000.

On page 16, line 15, increase the amount by $232,000,000.

On page 16, line 19, increase the amount by $181,000,000.

On page 16, line 23, increase the amount by $133,000,000.

On page 17, line 3, increase the amount by $28,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $731,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $156,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $232,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $181,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $133,000,000.

On page 27, line 4, decrease the amount by $28,000,000.

SA 520. Mr. CASEY submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States

Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

After section 322, insert the following:

SEC. 322A. DEFICIT-NEUTRAL RESERVE FUND FOR PRESCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES.

If the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the Senate reports a bill or a joint resolution, or an amendment is offered thereto or a conference report is submitted thereon, that augments or establishes a Federal program that provides—

(1) assistance to States that—

(A) offer not less than 1 year of free preschool to children of families who meet the low-income criteria established by the program; and

(B) offer not less than 1 year of subsidized preschool to children of families who meet any other income criteria established by the program; and

(2) as much flexibility as is practicable to the States in carrying out the preschool programs described in paragraph (1), within a construct of incentives and requirements that each such preschool program shall include a strong pre-academic curriculum, employ qualified preschool teachers, and provide for strong program accountability measures,

the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget of the Senate may revisit the aggregates, allocations, and other appropriate levels in this resolution by amounts provided in such measure for that purpose, provided that such legislation would not increase the deficit for the total of the period of fiscal years 2007 through 2012.

SA 521. Mr. ALLARD submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

At the end of the resolution, insert the following:

TITLE IV—RECONCILIATION

SEC. 401. SPENDING RECONCILIATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE ELIMINATION OF WASTE, FRAUD, AND ABUSE IN MANDATORY PROGRAMS.

(a) SPENDING RECONCILIATION INSTRUCTIONS.—In the Senate, not later than June 29, 2007, the Senate committees named in this section shall submit their recommendations to the Senate Committee on the Budget. After receiving those recommendations, the Senate Committee on the Budget shall report to the Senate a reconciliation bill carrying out all such recommendations without any substantive revision.

(b) SPECIAL SCOREKEEPING RULE IN THE SENATE.—

(1) REPORT TO SENATE BUDGET COMMITTEE.—If a reconciliation bill is enacted under this section, the Congressional Budget Office, pursuant to section 202 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974, shall send a report to the Chairman of the Committee on the Budget—

(A) whether that measure contains provisions that decrease budget authority or outlays from the elimination of waste, fraud, and abuse; and

(B) the amount of budget authority or outlays reduced each year attributable to the elimination of waste, fraud, and abuse in the bill, including the current year, the budget year, and for each of the 10 years following the current year.

(2) EXCLUSION FROM PAY-AS-YOU-GO SCORECARD.—Any budget authority or outlays reduced from provisions eliminating waste, fraud, and abuse (as detailed in the report required by paragraph (1)) shall not count as offsets for purposes of section 201 of this resolution.

(c) COMMITTEES.—

(1) COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY.—The Senate Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $686,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $3,577,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(2) COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS.—The Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $113,000,000 in new budget authority for fiscal year 2008 and $529,000,000 in new budget authority for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(3) COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE AND TRANSPORTATION.—The Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $110,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $545,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(4) COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES.—The Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $48,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $250,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(5) COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS.—The Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $18,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $97,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(6) COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.—The Senate Committee on Finance shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $10,406,000,000 in budget authority for fiscal year 2008 and $58,820,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(7) COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS.—The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $148,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $665,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(8) COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS.—The Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $1,063,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $5,784,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(9) COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY.—The Senate Committee on the Judiciary shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $81,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $406,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

(10) COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR AND PENSIONS.—The Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions shall report changes in laws within its jurisdiction sufficient to reduce the level of direct spending for that committee by $145,000,000 in outlays for fiscal year 2008 and $778,000,000 in outlays for the period of fiscal years 2008 through 2012.

SA 522. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 11, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $30,000,000.

On page 3, line 20, decrease the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $14,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $30,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 4, line 24, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $15,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $24,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $33,000,000.

On page 5, line 7, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by $7,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $45,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $78,000,000.

On page 5, line 15, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by $7,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by $22,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $45,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $78,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by $1,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $3,000,000.

SA 523. Mr. COLEMAN submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 3, line 12, decrease the amount by $277,000,000.

On page 3, line 13, decrease the amount by $634,000,000.

On page 3, line 14, decrease the amount by $939,000,000.

On page 3, line 15, decrease the amount by $1,307,000,000.

On page 3, line 21, decrease the amount by $277,000,000.

On page 3, line 22, decrease the amount by $634,000,000.

On page 3, line 23, decrease the amount by $939,000,000.

On page 4, line 1, decrease the amount by $1,307,000,000.

On page 4, line 7, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 4, line 8, increase the amount by $28,000,000.

On page 4, line 9, increase the amount by $66,000,000.

On page 4, line 10, increase the amount by $122,000,000.

On page 4, line 16, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 4, line 17, increase the amount by $28,000,000.

On page 4, line 18, increase the amount by $66,000,000.

On page 4, line 19, increase the amount by $122,000,000.

On page 4, line 25, increase the amount by $283,000,000.

On page 5, line 1, increase the amount by $662,000,000.

On page 5, line 2, increase the amount by $1,005,000,000.

On page 5, line 3, increase the amount by $1,429,000,000.

On page 5, line 8, increase the amount by $283,000,000.

On page 5, line 9, increase the amount by $946,000,000.

On page 5, line 10, increase the amount by $1,951,000,000.

On page 5, line 11, increase the amount by $3,380,000,000.

On page 5, line 16, increase the amount by $283,000,000.

On page 5, line 17, increase the amount by $946,000,000.

On page 5, line 18, increase the amount by $1,951,000,000.

On page 5, line 19, increase the amount by $3,380,000,000.

On page 25, line 16, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 25, line 17, increase the amount by $6,000,000.

On page 25, line 20, increase the amount by $28,000,000.

On page 25, line 21, increase the amount by $28,000,000.

On page 25, line 24, increase the amount by $66,000,000.

On page 25, line 25, increase the amount by $66,000,000.

On page 26, line 3, increase the amount by $122,000,000.

On page 26, line 4, increase the amount by $122,000,000.

SA 524. Mr. OBAMA submitted an amendment intended to be proposed by him to the concurrent resolution S. Con. Res. 21, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2008 and including the appropriate budgetary levels for fiscal years 2007 and 2009 through 2012; which was ordered to lie on the table; as follows:

On page 17, line 12, increase the amount by $100,000,000.

On page 17, line 13, increase the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 17, line 17, increase the amount by $58,000,000.

On page 17, line 21, increase the amount by $30,000,000.

On page 17, line 25, increase the amount by $10,000,000.

On page 26, line 12, decrease the amount by $100,000,000.

On page 26, line 13, decrease the amount by $2,000,000.

On page 26, line 17, decrease the amount by $58,000,000.

On page 26, line 21, decrease the amount by $30,000,000.

On page 26, line 25, decrease the amount by $10,000,000.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry be authorized to conduct a hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday March 21, 2007 at 9:30 a.m. in 328A, Senate Russell Office Building. The title of this committee hearing is ''Examining the performance of U.S. Trade and Food Aid Programs for the 2007 Farm Bill.''

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON BANKING, HOUSING, AND URBAN AFFAIRS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on March 21, 2007, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing on ''Minimizing Potential Threats From Iran: Assessing the Effectiveness of Current U.S. Sanctions on Iran.''

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, SCIENCE, AND TRANSPORTATION

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation be authorized to hold a hearing during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 10 a.m., in room 253 of the Russell Senate Office Building. The purpose of the hearing is to provide oversight on the status and activities of the Consumer Product Safety Commission.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Environment and Public Works be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007.

The agenda to be considered: Vice President Al Gore's Perspective on Global Warming.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Foreign Relations be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 5 p.m. to hold a briefing on the Gulf Security Dialogue.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions be authorized to hold a hearing on the long-term health impact from September 11 during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 10 a.m. in SH–216.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON HOMELAND SECURITY AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs be authorized to meet on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 9:30 a.m. for a hearing titled ''GAO's Role in Supporting Congressional Oversight: An Overview of Past Work and Future Challenges and Opportunities.''

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Committee on the Judiciary be authorized to meet to conduct a hearing on ''Misuse of Patriot Act Powers: The Inspector General's Findings of Improper Use of National Security Letters by the FBI'' for Wednesday, March 21, 2007 at 10 a.m. in Dirksen Senate Office Building Room 226.

Witness List: The Honorable Glenn A. Fine, Inspector General, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, DC.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTTEE ON STRATEGIC FORCES

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces be authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Wednesday, March 21, 2007, at 10:30 a.m. to receive testimony on nuclear and strategic policy options.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON TERRORISM, TECHNOLOGY, AND HOMELAND SECURITY

Mr. CONRAD. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Technology, and Homeland Security be authorized